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Nominations are now being accepted for the **2004 Rhode Island Minority Small Business Person of the Year Award**. The award recognizes the individual who best exemplifies successful minority entrepreneurship. The award winner will be recognized during the 2004 Rhode Island Minority Enterprise Development (MED) Week celebration to be held in the fall.

During MED Week, the U.S. Small Business Administration traditionally recognizes minority business excellence and achievement by honoring minority small business owners and advocates during an awards ceremony. The celebration also includes a series of free professional development workshops.

Nominees must submit the following documentation:

1. A completed SBA Form 223, Company Profile.
2. A completed SBA Form 912, Statement of Personal History.
3. A 5 x 7 glossy black and white photograph. (The photo should have a label attached to back with the nominee's name and firm name).

**The Company Profile and Statement of Personal History forms may be downloaded from [www.sba.gov/ri/ridomedweek.html](http://www.sba.gov/ri/ridomedweek.html). Nomination packages must be returned to:**

**MED Week Committee  
c/o Hispanic American Chamber of Commerce  
45 Royal Little Drive  
Providence, RI 02904**

For more information about the 2004 Rhode Island Minority Small Business Person of the Year Award, contact Frances deSousa at the SBA Rhode Island District Office at (401) 528-4583 or by email at [frances.desousa@sba.gov](mailto:frances.desousa@sba.gov).